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| Status  |  |   |  |   |             |  |
| 2a)⊠  | Responsive to communication(s) file<br>This action is <b>FINAL</b> .<br>Since this application is in condition<br>closed in accordance with the practi   | 2b)⊡ This action is<br>for allowance excep  | non-final.<br>ot for formal matters, p   |   | e merits is |  |
| Dispositi   | on of Claims   |   |  |   |             |  |
| 5)□<br>6)⊠<br>7)⊠   | Claim(s) <u>6 and 8-10</u> is/are pending (4a) Of the above claim(s) is/a Claim(s) is/are allowed. Claim(s) <u>6 and 10</u> is/are rejected. Claim(s) <u>6 and 8-10</u> is/are objected Claim(s) are subject to restrict   | re withdrawn from c   |  |   |             |  |
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| <ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul> |  |   |  |   |             |  |
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

**Status of the claims:** Claims 6 and 8-10 are currently pending.

**Restriction/Election:** Applicant previously elected group I and the following species:

5-(3-amino-3-phenylpropyl)-3-(2,5-diffuorophenyl)-N,N-dimethyl-5-phenyl-4,5-diffydru-1H-pyrazole-1-carboxamide

for examination. The scope of examination was expanded beyond the elected species within the scope of claim 6 and art was found rendering the claim obvious. Because the generic claim encompassing the elected species was found unpatentable (as detailed in the new rejection below), the scope of the claims examined remains restricted to the elected species only.

### **RESPONSE TO APPLICANT REMARKS**

### Claim Objections

1. Claims 8, and 10 were objected to as being dependent on a rejected base claim.

Claims 6, 8-10 were objected to for reading on non-elected subject matter in view of the restriction to the scope of the elected species. **These objections are maintained** because of the following new rejections.

# Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. Claims 6 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Joshi et al. (CAPLUS Abstract of Joshi et al., Journal of the Indian Chemical Society (1984), 61(11-12), 1014-15. Accession # 1986:34035.) in view of Silverman, R. B. (The Org. Chem. of Drug Design and Drug Action, Academic Press, Inc.: San Diego, 1992, pp. 4-51).

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The claims include the compound (listed in claim 6): 1-Acetyl-3-(2,5-diffborophenyl)-5-phenyl-4,5-dihydro-1H-pytrazole

Applicant argues that the 2,5-substitution of the phenyl above produced and unexpected result as taught by the Cox et al. reference cited. However, the alleged unexpected result is that over the *monohalogenated* analog and not the dihalogenated which is the relevant comparison. In addition, the data provided does not compare the prior art 3,4-disubstituted analog. Furthermore, claim 6 is for compounds including 2-Cl, 3-Cl, which equally apply to the SAR methodology taught by Silverman.

Therefore, applicant has not met their burden in demonstrating how the unexpected result would be applicable to the entire claim scope. See MPEP 716.02(b).

This rejection is **maintained**.

#### Conclusion

The claims are in not condition for allowance. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.**Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of

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the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

The examiner would also like to make the following art of record:

CAPLUS Abstract of Sangwan et al., Chimica Acta Turcica (1983), 11(1), 65-72, which teaches pharmacological activity of compounds including the following 2,5-

substituted species:

## Correspondence

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ROBERT HAVLIN whose telephone number is (571)272-9066. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. - Fri., 7:30am-5pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful the examiner's supervisor, Joe McKane can be reached at (571) 272-0699. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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